

Amendments to the Specification

With changes shown by strikethrough (for deleted matter) and underlining (for added matter), please make the following changes:

Please re-write the ABSTRACT (paragraph [0017]) as follows:

[0017] An apparatus for fastening an earring, ~~said~~ the apparatus comprising: a motor ~~adapted~~ for generating a torque; and an earring back holder ~~adapted~~ for applying ~~said~~ the torque to an earring back.